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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1.2.3 & 4

Part B for January 1918.

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FILE HEADING.

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From

H.H. Resident in Mysore

No. 9521 Dated 17-12-17 Received 18-12-17

Diary No. Pol 862 4627	Enclos. one Spare Copies.	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards for the information of the Mysore Govt a copy of letter no. 118-C dated the 8th November 1917 from the Govt of India, Home Dept re the preparation of a short report on the year's admn. by each local Govt & requests that the General Synopsis for the Mysore State may be forwarded by the 5th January next year.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

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1) Similar requisition was received last year and complied with. A Synopsis of important events of the State during 1916-17 has been prepared and submitted for approval. As soon as it is received back finally approved by the Dewan, it will be put up

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and forwarded to the Resdy. on or before the due date as prescribed (viz 5th January next)

2 Admn. Report Section does not possess either a copy of Egyptian Report mentioned in the enclosure to the paper under disposal or the Summary of the Mysore Admn placed before the Parliament. As it is intended to publish an annual ~~Ad~~ report on the Admn of India by the Govt of India, arrangements may be made to obtain a copy of that report for future reference and guidance in the Govt & other Sects (Specially in the A.R. Sects)

(CF 19.12.17)

3) Please get this typed at once

RW 19/12/17

4) Resubmitted in typed copy.

(CF 20.12.17)

5 Chief Secy.) RW 20/12/17.

6) The Draft may be approved.

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7 Dewan) CBS 20/12/17 RW 20/12.

8 Chief Secretary Kindly circulate one week in case

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7 Issued CBS 1/1/18. RW 2/1/18.

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	10 Offr to the Subh of Govt Bom forwards the Cover of Synopsis to be sent in by the 15th inst.
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	Typing Sects 12 Print order has been given & the Copies are expected before the evening. Meanwhile draft Resp & the Resolr put up herewith may be subh
X Subh (4.1.18)	13 Issue (Subs apnd to Copies & Ch. Secy.) ww 4/1/18
2.	2 2 A Resident in Mysore No 501 S-83 dated 6-1-18 forwards 40 Copies of the brief Synopsis of the Principal Events in the Admn of the Mysore State for (1917) as required in Sl 1 above. 14 As the A.R. Section has been ordered to be closed, may this file be sent to Bry for further actn. (5.1.18) 15 Yes ww 5/1/18
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16 After an acknowledgment is received, the papers will be recorded.
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WSVS 3 From the J. A. Resident
No. 165 dt 7th January 1918
Acknowledges the receipt of 40 copies of the synopsis with refce to sl 2 and requests that five more copies may be supplied & that in future 45 copies may be kindly supplied.

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No. 9521

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FROM

MAJOR E. H. S. JAMES,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 17 December 1917.

SIR,

In continuation of Major Tucker's letter No.89, dated the 4th January 1917, I am directed to forward for the information of the Mysore Durbar, a copy of letter No.118-C., dated the 8th November 1917, from the Government of India, Home Department, regarding the preparation of a short report on the year's administration by each local Government and to request that the general synopsis (not exceeding one printed page) for the Mysore State for the year 1916-17 and future years may kindly be prepared on the lines indicated therein and forwarded so as to reach this office (for transmission to the Government of India) by the 5th January of each year instead of the 10th.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

E H S James

First Assistant Resident.

R. O. 2.—R. P. B.—10-1917.—1,000

No. 118-C.

FROM

S. R. HIGNELL, ESQ., C.I.E.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
„ CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.
„ CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.
„ CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED PROVINCES.
„ CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB.
„ CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BURMA.
„ CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BIHAR AND ORISSA.
„ HONOURABLE THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF THE CENTRAL PROVINCES.
„ HONOURABLE THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF ASSAM.
„ HONOURABLE THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER AND AGENT TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER PROVINCE.
„ CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF COORG.
„ CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF DELHI.

Home Department.
Public.

Delhi, the 8th November, 1917.

SIR,

The Secretary of State has asked the Government of India to consider whether they could not with advantage prepare a short annual report on the Administration of India which would fulfill the statutory requirements of Section 26(3) of the Government of India Act and be laid before Parliament in place of the present Report on Moral and Material Progress compiled in the India Office. In making the suggestion the Secretary of State has been impressed by the fact that the annual reports on the Administration of Egypt and the Sudan used to secure, before the war, much greater attention in England than the Moral and Material Progress Report. He attributes this principally to the brevity and skill with which the Egyptian reports present the main facts of Egyptian Administration. The Egyptian reports are written in narrative form. They comment only on the important events and features of the year's administration; they avoid all ordinary and unimportant details and quote in the body of the reports as few statistics as possible. The Secretary of State suggests that a short report compiled on similar lines and limited to about sixty pages in all, might, with advantage, be prepared for India. The Government of India, while fully realising the differences between India and Egypt and the difficulty of preparing a concise and interesting report of a congeries of administrations such as exist in this country, are anxious, with the co-operation of local Governments, to meet the wishes of the Secretary of State.

2. Under Section 26 of the Government of India Act the report is laid before Parliament in the first-half of May, and deals with the financial year preceding that last completed, *i.e.*, the report presented in May 1917 dealt with the financial year 1915-16. The existing report, as His Excellency the Secretary of State is probably aware, is compiled, so far as provincial matters are concerned, from the Departmental Administration reports and reviews of each Province and from the provincial administration reports. A narrative such as the Secretary of State has in mind could not easily be strung together from these reports, which usually bristle with statistics and unimportant detail. The Government of India are inclined to think that the best method of collecting material for the proposed report would be to obtain from each local Government a brief chapter on the year's administration compiled exactly on the lines of the Egyptian reports cited above, and giving a clear account of the salient features of the year in the Province and of the policy of the local Government. It would, no doubt, be necessary in the course of the chapter to deal categorically with some out of the various departments of the administration, but those which exhibited no striking feature or development during the year might well be omitted, and the whole style should be cursive rather than tabular. Such a chapter might in future take the place of the general summary (Part I) of the provincial administration report, and would indeed follow much more closely than these summaries do at present the intention with which they were originally planned. In this connection I am to invite a reference to paragraph 5 of the Home Department resolution no. 1674-90, dated the 12th May, 1873. The Government of India are not in a position to decide, until all the material is before them, whether the report should be divided into provincial or departmental chapters. But, if the former, they hope to be able to incorporate the chapters received from local Governments practically as they stand, and with this object in view I am to request that the chapters submitted by the Government of Madras may not exceed $\frac{10}{5}$ pages at the most. It should cover the year's administration official year 1916-17 in all departments, including those whose annual reports are compiled for the calendar year.

3. As the complete report will have to leave India by the end of March, I am to ask that the chapters may be prepared and submitted so as to reach the Government of India by the 15th January, 1918. It is realized that this may not be possible without a certain amount of inconvenience and extra work, but the Government of India trust that His Excellency the Governor-in-Council will give them his year's support in this matter, and co-operate by making these reports as illuminating and interesting as possible. The Government of India would also be grateful if every effort were also made to submit the usual administration reports for the official year as early as possible.

4. In connection with the last named reports I am to observe that the Secretary of State has noticed the inclusion of unessential letters in some of the various reports received in the India Office from Governments in India and the omission generally to print on the table of contents the number of pages fixed as the maximum limit of those reports. I am to request that orders may be issued for the observance of the instructions contained in the Home Department resolution nos. 987—1013, dated the 25th February, 1901.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

S. R. HIGNELL,

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 119-C.

A copy is forwarded to the Superintendent, Port Blair / Foreign and Political Department, for information and favour of necessary action.

By order,

G. M. YOUNG,

Offg. Deputy Secretary to the Government of India.

S.G.P.I., Delhi—No. 608 H. D.—9-11-17—253.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Date of issue... 2. 1 - 18

To

Signed by Mr. M. V. Seshagiri

The Supdt Govt Press

Bangalore

Has the honour to forward herewith draft "a brief ~~Report~~ synopsis of the Principal Events in the Administration of the Mysore State during the year ending 30th June 1917

to be printed in one form and to request that it may be kept secret by the utmost care and that proof thereof sent before noon tomorrow so that print orders may be given before tomorrow evening

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2. This matter may be treated as very urgent

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List of enclosures.

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A brief Synopsis of the Principal Events in the Administration of the Mysore State during the year ending 30th June 1917.

General

The Mysore Representative Assembly was granted the privilege of a second session, in addition to the Dasara Session, from this year.

2. His Highness the Maharaja contributed a sum of Rs.10 lakhs towards the expenses of the war in addition to the 52 lakhs previously contributed. His Highness' Government contributed 35 lakhs of Rupees to the War Loan of the Government of India. The total contribution of the State including the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, to the War Loan is estimated at about Rs.75 lakhs.

Finance.

3. As the result of an examination ~~thereof~~ by a Special Financial Officer, various reforms were introduced in the system of Government accounts and audit. Excluding the debt heads, the total revenue was about 301 lakhs and the expenditure 343 lakhs.

Revenue.

4. The rains were ample and the seasonal conditions ~~were~~ favourable to agriculture. The outturn of the important crops was normal and prices remained high as before.

The total ~~under~~ Land Revenue was Rs.126 lakhs and nearly 87.6 per cent of it was ~~se~~collected. Forest, Excise Registration and Stamp Revenue showed an increase. A special Forest Officer was appointed to investigate the development of Forest Industries. A scheme for systematising the use of standard weights and measures was sanctioned.

Protection.

5. Twelve Regulations were passed by the Legislature of the State. There was an increase of 2.04 per cent in Civil litigation and a decrease of 12.69 per cent in the number of offences dealt with in Criminal courts. ~~Police Officers of the bordering districts of Mysore and Madras met several times to discuss questions of common interest.~~

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Technical Departments.

7. In response to a wide-spread popular desire, the reservoir at Kannambadi was named 'The Krishnarajasagara' after His Highness the Maharaja. In connection with irrigation improvements gauging stations were established in selected important tanks and rivers for measuring discharges. Penstock pipes were fixed in the Krishnarajasagara Dam to generate electric power to serve as a reserve for the Mysore Power supply and for other purposes. ~~Experimental installations for pumping water by means of electric power were established on the banks of the Arkavati~~. Portions of the Kolar District Railway and Chickballapur Light Railway were completed and opened for traffic. The mines on the Kolar Gold Fields kept up their normal level of work and output in the face of great difficulties caused by the War. The schists of the western ghats were examined for iron ores. Certain samples of Mysore iron ores were sent for being tested to the Electrical Metals, Limited, London. Experiments were conducted with a view to the economic utilisation of bauxite. ~~Efforts were made to obtain information~~ Enquiries were made into ~~on~~ the manufacture of the chemical and commercial products of limestones.

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(V 20.12.17)

C. S. Balasundaram
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C. S. BALASUNDARAM IYER,
Chief Secretary to Government.

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Date of issue 4th May 1918

Signed by L. Balasundaram Iyer

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~~The~~ File No. 424 GM

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To

F.A. Resident in Mysore

Bangalore.

Sir,

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† Reference for disposal

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FROM

MAJOR E. H. S. JAMES,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

Pol 949 10-1-18

G. M.-424-17-2

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The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 7th January 1918.

SIR,

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

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H S James

First Assistant Resident.

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No. Pol. 631
Ex. Secpris

Date of issue 15-1-1918

To
The First Asst Resident

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